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## SENATE BILL No. 331

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**Citations Affected:** IC 21-41; IC 21-42.

**Synopsis:** Second service for veterans. Establishes the second service for veterans program to attract veteran students to the teaching profession. Requires a state educational institution to adopt a policy to award educational credit to a veteran or an individual serving in the armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National Guard who completes courses: (1) at a postsecondary educational institution accredited by a regional accrediting agency or association; and (2) that meet the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission. Requires a state educational institution to adopt a policy to award educational credit to a veteran or an individual serving in the armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National Guard who completes certain college equivalency examinations that meet the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission. Provides that the state educational institution's policy must provide that educational credit awarded to an individual applies to the individual's degree requirements if the credit is comparable and applicable to credit necessary for the individual to meet the individual's degree requirements.

**Effective:** July 1, 2014.

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**Glick, Randolph, Kruse, Banks,  
Mrvan**

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January 14, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.  
January 23, 2014, reported favorably — Do Pass.  
January 27, 2014, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 21-41-12 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2014]:

4       **Chapter 12. Second Service for Veterans**

5       **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the second**  
6 **service for veterans program established by section 3 of this**  
7 **chapter.**

8       **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "veteran student" refers to a**  
9 **student of a state educational institution who has been or is**  
10 **currently serving as a member of the:**

11       (1) armed forces; or

12       (2) national guard.

13       **Sec. 3. The second service for veterans program is established**  
14 **for the purpose of attracting veteran students to the teaching**  
15 **profession.**

16       **Sec. 4. Each school of education, or its equivalent, within a state**

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educational institution shall establish a program for veteran students to encourage veteran students to pursue a career in the teaching profession.

**Sec. 5. (a) Each state educational institution shall, at a minimum, do the following:**

**(1) Provide academic and career counseling specifically designed for veteran students in the school of education or the school of education equivalent.**

**(2) Offer in-state tuition to Indiana resident veteran students and out-of-state veteran students who apply for and are accepted into the program.**

**(3) Develop a proactive initiative to attract and recruit veteran students to the school of education or the school of education equivalent.**

**(4) Coordinate the second service for veterans program with the combat to college program.**

**(b) An out-of-state veteran student who accepts in-state tuition under this chapter is obligated to teach in the Indiana public school system for one (1) year for each year of in-state tuition accepted. If an out-of-state veteran student fails to comply with this subsection, the out-of-state veteran student is subject to the policies determined by the state educational institution.**

**Sec. 6. The commission for higher education shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.**

SECTION 2. IC 21-42-7-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.57-2012, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 2. **(a) Each state educational institution shall adopt a policy to award educational credit to an individual who:**

**(1) is enrolled in a state educational institution; and**

**(2) successfully:**

**(A) completes courses that:**

~~(A)~~ **(i) are part of the individual's military service;**

~~(B)~~ **(ii) meet the standards of the American Council on Education, or the council's successor organization, for awarding academic credit; and**

~~(C)~~ **(iii) meet the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission;**

**(B) completes:**

**(i) a College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) developed by the College Board;**

**(ii) a United States Department of Defense's Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support**



1           **Program examination; or**

2           **(iii) an Excelsior College Examination;**

3           **that meets the state educational institution's role, scope,**  
 4           **and mission during the individual's military service in an**  
 5           **active or reserve component of the armed forces of the**  
 6           **United States or the Indiana National Guard or upon the**  
 7           **individual's receiving an honorable discharge from the**  
 8           **armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National**  
 9           **Guard; or**

10          **(C) completes courses at a postsecondary educational**  
 11          **institution accredited by a regional accrediting agency or**  
 12          **association:**

13           **(i) during the individual's military service in an active or**  
 14           **reserve component of the armed forces of the United**  
 15           **States or the Indiana National Guard or upon the**  
 16           **individual's receiving an honorable discharge from the**  
 17           **armed forces of the United States or the Indiana**  
 18           **National Guard; and**

19           **(ii) that meet the state educational institution's role,**  
 20           **scope, and mission.**

21          **(b) The state educational institution's policy described in**  
 22          **subsection (a) must provide that educational credit awarded to an**  
 23          **individual under this section applies to the individual's**  
 24          **undergraduate degree requirements if the credit is comparable and**  
 25          **applicable, as reasonably determined by the state educational**  
 26          **institution, to credit offered by the state educational institution and**  
 27          **is necessary for the individual to meet the individual's**  
 28          **undergraduate degree requirements at the state educational**  
 29          **institution.**

30          **(c) The amount of educational credits that may be applied to an**  
 31          **individual's degree requirements under subsection (b) may not**  
 32          **exceed:**

33           **(1) seventy-five percent (75%) of an individual's degree**  
 34           **requirements, as determined by the state educational**  
 35           **institution, if the state educational institution in which the**  
 36           **individual is enrolled requires the individual to attend in**  
 37           **person any course during any part of the student's enrollment**  
 38           **at the state educational institution; or**

39           **(2) seventy percent (70%) of an individual's degree**  
 40           **requirements, as determined by the state educational**  
 41           **institution, if one hundred percent (100%) of the degree**  
 42           **requirements for the degree program is available online by**



1           **the state educational institution.**



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 331, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is to SB 331 as introduced.)

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0

Senator Kruse, Chairperson

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 SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 331 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, delete lines 12 through 16.

Page 2, line 17, delete "(5)" and insert "(3)".

Page 2, line 20, delete "(6)" and insert "(4)".

Page 2, delete lines 28 through 33.

Page 2, line 34, delete "7." and insert "6".

(Reference is to SB 331 as printed January 24, 2014.)

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 SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 331 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, after line 35, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 21-42-7-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.57-2012, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 2. **(a)** Each state educational institution shall adopt a policy to award educational credit to an individual who:

(1) is enrolled in a state educational institution; and

(2) successfully:

**(A)** completes courses that:

~~(A)~~ **(i)** are part of the individual's military service;

~~(B)~~ **(ii)** meet the standards of the American Council on Education, or the council's successor organization, for

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awarding academic credit; and

~~(C)~~ (iii) meet the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission;

**(B) completes:**

(i) a College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) developed by the College Board;

(ii) a United States Department of Defense's Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support Program examination; or

(iii) an Excelsior College Examination;

that meets the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission during the individual's military service in an active or reserve component of the armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National Guard or upon the individual's receiving an honorable discharge from the armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National Guard; or

(C) completes courses at a postsecondary educational institution accredited by a regional accrediting agency or association:

(i) during the individual's military service in an active or reserve component of the armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National Guard or upon the individual's receiving an honorable discharge from the armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National Guard; and

(ii) that meet the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission.

(b) The state educational institution's policy described in subsection (a) must provide that educational credit awarded to an individual under this section applies to the individual's undergraduate degree requirements if the credit is comparable and applicable, as reasonably determined by the state educational institution, to credit offered by the state educational institution and is necessary for the individual to meet the individual's undergraduate degree requirements at the state educational institution.

(c) The amount of educational credits that may be applied to an individual's degree requirements under subsection (b) may not exceed:

(1) seventy-five percent (75%) of an individual's degree requirements, as determined by the state educational





**institution, if the state educational institution in which the individual is enrolled requires the individual to attend in person any course during any part of the student's enrollment at the state educational institution; or**  
**(2) seventy percent (70%) of an individual's degree requirements, as determined by the state educational institution, if one hundred percent (100%) of the degree requirements for the degree program is available online by the state educational institution."**

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 331 as printed January 24, 2014.)

BANKS

